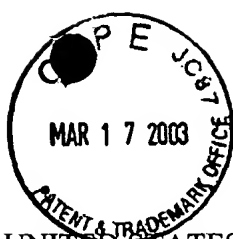


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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )

Kenichi MORI )

Application No.: 09/823,973 )

Filed: April 3, 2001 )

For: ILLUMINATION SYSTEM AND )  
SCANNING EXPOSURE APPARATUS :  
USING THE SAME )

Examiner: D. Ben Esplin

Group Art Unit: 2851

March 17, 2003

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AMENDMENT WITH PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME,  
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Sir:

Applicant petitions the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated September 18, 2002, for three months from December 18, 2002, up to and including March 18, 2003. A check in the amount of \$930.00 for payment of the extension fee is enclosed. Please charge any additional fee required for the extension, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account 06-1205.

In response to the Official Action dated September 18, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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IN THE ABSTRACT:

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